

## Fairview Youth Shows How To Make Farm Pay

Robert Wise, 15-year-old boy of Fairview community in Coffee County, has proven that if given a chance modern youth will make good.

In the Fall of 1936, when Robert was nine, he was very eager to enter 4-H club work. The only thing he had to invest was his willingness to try. The tow-haired youngster was supplied with a registered Duroc gilt in the pure bred pig chain sponsored by the business men of the county. From that beginning, which he repaid with a pig from his first litter, he has sold, used and holds property in the 4-H projects with a total value of \$2,663.14. In addition, he is carrying a \$1,000.00 insurance policy which will mature when he is 21 and assist in his education and he has a neat little bank account.

The story of this boy's progress began with the furnished pig. In his second year of membership he added two beef calves and one and one-half acres of cotton to his project and set out 25 fruit trees for an orchard. That year his sow brought nine pigs which he sold for \$80.00. During the third year he raised 11 pigs, three beef calves, added 15 trees to his orchard and planted an acre of pine seedlings. The fourth year his sow brought 12 pigs. He raised, in addition, four fattening hogs, seven beef calves, seven acres of soy beans, eight acres of corn, seven acres of peanuts, added 20 trees to his orchard, planted a seed patch of kudzu and continued to maintain his pigs.

In the year 1940-41, just ended, his project produced 12 pigs, two pure bred beef calves, four commercial steers, one pure bred Hereford bull, seven acres of soy beans, seven acres of corn and he continued to maintain his orchard of 80 fruit trees and his acre of pine.

He has on hand at present one registered bull, one baby beef steer, one pure bred Duroc sow and eight pigs, total value, \$225.00. He values the feed he has grown and used in raising his calves and hogs at \$47.20. His cash sales include: Pure bred calves, \$1,125.94; four commercial calves, \$245.00; hogs, \$323.00; cotton, \$97.00; peaches, \$23.00; prize money on calves, \$84.00.

His mother paid him a "small spending money salary" to care for her poultry flock, which he didn't list under his 4-H activities. During his five years of membership, Robert has missed only one club meeting and has attended all rallies and camps. He has served his club four years as an officer, twice as president.

This year he will attend the 4-H leadership school in Auburn for the third time, rating each trip on his outstanding record. In 1939 he addressed the assembly at Farm and Home Week in Auburn. During the past year he served as assistant to Alton Dean, Adolph Local Leader. He works under the direction of H. C. Arant, County 4-H Agent.

**ATTENDED NUTRITION MEET**  
Miss Mamie B. Mathews, Dr. Garland Weidner, Prof. Olen B. Roberson and Prof. W. L. Walsh were in Tuscaloosa Tuesday to attend a state-wide meeting of Nutrition Unit members. They were delegates from the Coffee County Unit. Two hundred delegates representing sixty-two counties attended the conference and heard reports from state delegates who have just returned from a meeting in Washington.

Misses Peggy and Sammy Blue have gone to Montgomery and Bessemer for a visit to relatives.

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## ELBA BAPTIST CHURCH PLANS BIG HOME REVIVAL

The Elba Baptist Church and its pastor announce a "Home Revival" beginning Sunday, June 15, and running through the following week. Dr. J. A. Cook, pastor of First Baptist Church, Andalusia, will be the preacher. Dr. Cook is a real gospel preacher and will be enjoyed by all who hear him because of his sincerity and love for the WORD and the CHURCH.

Mr. James Martin of Auburn, will direct the singing, using both the senior and junior choirs, and this way will be most enjoyable to those of the junior choir age. Mr. Martin is a skilled leader and a wonderful singer.

The Church further announces a plan by which each night's service will pay tribute to some rural co-sister church in Coffee County. On that night, that church is invited to be present and render some number in the service that would represent the activity in their church. Also a short history of that church will be read on said night with proper contribution to that church. The following are the churches invited and nights on which Elba Baptist Church will pay tribute to them:

- Sunday at 7:30 P. M., June 15, Bain Baptist Church.
- Monday at 7:30 P. M., June 16, Woodland Grove Baptist Church.
- Tuesday at 7:30 P. M., June 17, Zion Chapel Baptist Church.
- Wednesday at 7:30 P. M., June 18, Damascus Baptist Church.
- Thursday at 7:30 P. M., June 19, Enterprise Baptist Church.
- Friday at 7:30 P. M., June 20, New Brockton Baptist Church.
- Saturday at 7:30 P. M., June 21, Whitewater Baptist Church.
- Sunday at 7:30 P. M., June 22, New Hope Baptist Church and Mt. Olive Baptist Church.

Every person in Elba, irrespective of your denominational belief, is urged to be a part of these services.

If American people are to be saved in this world-war-torn age, they will be saved through the Christian activity in the Christian Church.

J. A. Timmerman, Pastor, Elba Baptist Church.

## MR. HUDSON BELIEVES IT PAYS TO KEEP PLOWING

Mr. P. A. Hudson, thirty farmer living on route 4, Elba, made an appreciated call at The Clipper office last Saturday. Mr. Hudson said, as has been remarked by other farmers in this section, that this is the first time within his recollection that he has plowed and laid by his corn crop without any rain. He said for the past two years he made crops in the mud and slop, but this year he is making it in the dust, but he believes it pays to keep plowing and stirring the dust, as every time the plow goes through the crop revives up and shows marked improvement, so he intends to keep on plowing.

## GUS YOUNG, JR., FINISHES BASIC TRAINING PERIOD

Heading the list of fifteen Alabama men who on May 31 successfully completed basic training period as flying cadets at Randolph Field, Texas, is the name of Gus Young, Jr., 102 Factory street, Elba, Ala. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Young. The class is composed of 330 former college students, salesmen, ex-athletes, engineers, ex-examen and farmers, from all sections of the United States, and comprise the latest class to graduate from the "West Point of the Air," and becomes a portion of the 30,000 flyers a year being graduated from the Army Air Corps training centers.

These cadets have proved their mettle in the primary training classes and now will enter a period of specialization during which they will master either fast single-motored or multi-motored equipment. Early in August they will win their wings and be commissioned as Second Lieutenants in the Air Corps Reserve.

Miss Ann Hutchison, Mrs. Harlan Shope and children of Panama City, Fla., spent Saturday and Sunday with Elba relatives.

## More Dates For Diphtheria And Typhoid Clinics

It is now necessary to give two doses of Toxoid, one month apart, to protect babies and children against Diphtheria.

One dose of Typhoid Vaccine, given every year, is now recommended for persons who have once had the three successive doses of Vaccine.

Please come on time and bring all babies and small children to the first clinic. The following clinics have been scheduled:

- Monday, June 16, and July 21—1. White Water Church 8:30 a. m. 2. Reeves School, 10 a. m. 3. Pine Grove School, 1:30 p. m. 4. Mixon's Cross Roads School, 3 p. m.
- Tuesday, June 17, and July 22—1. Wise Mill Church, 8:30 a. m. 2. Victoria Church, 10 a. m. 3. Dyess' Store, 1:30 p. m. 4. Wambles Mill, 3 p. m.
- Wednesday, June 18 and July 23—1. Killingsworth Store, 8:30 a. m. 2. Chestnut Grove Church, 10 a. m.
- Thursday, June 19, and July 24—1. Clintonville Store, 11 a. m. 2. New Hope Church, 1:30 p. m. 3. Zion Chapel School, 8:30 a. m. 4. Double Head School, 10 a. m. 5. Rex Lowery's Store 1:30 a. m.
- Friday, June 20, and July 25—1. Shiloh School, 8 a. m. 2. Arrowood School, 9:30 a. m. 3. Clintonville Store, 11 a. m. 4. Tabernacle Church, 1:30 p. m. 5. Eason School, 2 p. m.

Persons who have never had three successive doses of Typhoid Vaccine may obtain same at the County Health office in the courthouse in Elba or Enterprise, on Saturday morning, from 8 to 11 a. m.

## FIRST COTTON BLOOMS WERE RECEIVED MONDAY

The first cotton blooms of the season were received at The Clipper office on Monday and came from the fields of Mr. John Mack Stokes in the Pine Level community and Mr. C. W. Rodgers who lives below Damascus.

Then on Tuesday blooms came from Mr. W. D. Anderson who lives on Elba, Route 3, and from Mr. O. F. Lightner who lives at Damascus. The first bloom to reach us last year was on June 8, and came from Buck Kelley, Elba, Route 4. The warm, dry weather prevailing in this section should bring plenty of blooms and cotton is expected to do well.

## J. D. WHITMAN FAMILY WILL MOVE TO FLORIDA

Mr. J. D. Whitman left Monday morning for Florida, where he has accepted a position as pharmacist for the Burgess Drug Company. His family intends to follow as soon as suitable arrangements are made for living quarters there. Thus Elba is losing one of its prominent and most highly esteemed families, which will be greatly missed in business, school, church and social circles.

Jim Whitman has been prominently identified with all of the vital activities of Elba for many years and it truly can be said of him that no one in this community has more friends or is held in higher esteem. Scarcity of oil and great demand for registered pharmacists has caused him to receive an attractive offer from the Florida drug concern, hence his decision to leave Elba.

The countless friends of the J. D. Whitman family wish them every success and Godspeed in their future home.

## ELBA SOFTBALL LEAGUE WILL PLAY NIGHT GAMES

A four-team softball league has been organized in Elba and will play two games on Monday and Thursday nights of each week, games to start at 8 o'clock.

The four clubs composing the league will be: Lions Club, Dorsey Brothers, School Boys and Business Men. Promoter Walter Whitman, Jr., gives out the information that all games will be played on the new athletic field, where there will be plenty of lights and comfortable seats.

To defray the necessary expenses of operating the league, a small admission charge of 5c for players and spectators alike will be asked. Softball is tremendously popular throughout the nation, and as Elba has a plentiful supply of good talent, a lot of interesting and exciting games are anticipated.

Miss Ann Hutchison, Mrs. Harlan Shope and children of Panama City, Fla., spent Saturday and Sunday with Elba relatives.

## ELBA'S DROUGHT BROKEN BY FINE RAIN SUNDAY

Elba and vicinity were visited Sunday morning by a fine shower of rain which refreshed withering vegetation and abated the dust which had become quite obnoxious as result of one of the most protracted droughts experienced heretofore in a long time.

The unsatisfactory feature of the rain was the fact that it was quite local in character, extending only about two miles north of Elba, about 12 miles south, several miles east and west. The rain clouds seemed to "make up" in the vicinity of Danley's Cross Roads and the precipitation in that section, as well as in Elba and some of the other fortunate territory were well drenched by rainfall that in Elba amounted to approximately 1.25 inches. More is needed here, and a large area that was not reached by Sunday morning's rain is suffering severely for lack of moisture.

However, crops are the cleanest and freest from grass and weeds they have been in many a year, and one daughter, Mrs. Luther Johnson, of Montgomery, three sisters, Mrs. H. C. White, of Troy; Mrs. Morris Nelson, of Rome, New York; and Mrs. S. M. Fleming, of York.

## REVIVAL AT CHURCH OF CHRIST BEGAN SUNDAY

The revival meeting at the Elba Church of Christ got off to a good start Sunday night when a large congregation heard Minister Carl Spain, of Auburn, deliver a sermon that held the rapt attention of his listeners. He is unusually conversant with the scriptures and backed up all his statements with scriptural references. He likened the soul of man to a ship and hope to an anchor. He averred that without hope a soul is as helpless as a ship in a storm without an anchor or if the anchor fails to hold. On the other hand, he illustrated his point by saying that an anchor grips the bed of the sea all the tighter the greater the pull upon it; the same is true of hope. If it is grounded in faith in Christ Jesus, Minister Spain is a young man of great force and eloquence, and his knowledge of the Bible is remarkable.

Services are being held twice daily, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Prof. R. P. Peery is doing a fine job of directing the singing.

## PRUDE CROOK BUILDING FINE BRICK RESIDENCE

Work has been started on a commodious brick residence which Mr. Prude Crook, who has been in the U. S. Navy for a number of years, is building for the home of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Crook, and sister, Mrs. Erma Rainey, and children. The new structure is located on a lot 100x200 feet, just north of Captain Dozier Bryan's home, on the Brantley highway. It will consist of eight rooms, bath, screened porch, etc., well supplied with modern conveniences and appliances. The only old-fashioned feature of the ornate and otherwise modern home is the fireplace which Dr. Crook insists on having in his bedroom.

Located as it is on a lot with a beautiful background of stately pines, the Crook home will be one of the most attractive among the numerous new residences in that popular and rapidly-growing section. Several more new homes are to be started in that section in the near future, so it is said.

Mr. W. F. Fortner attended the State Convention of Spanish American War Veterans which was held in Fairhope on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of this week. He reports a fine meeting and an enjoyable trip. He is said, Mr. Fortner is the type of man that gets the most enjoyment out of life wherever he goes.

Mr. Gerald Crook and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crook, of Camp Blanding, Fla., visited relatives in Elba several days last week.

**"TOBACCO ROAD" ONE OF YEAR'S POWERFUL FILMS**  
"Tobacco Road," that sensational, most discussed stage play of our time, is going to win even greater fame as a film, according to early reports from the film front. Filmed behind closed doors at the 20th Century-Fox studios, "Tobacco Road" was produced by Darryl F. Zanuck and hailed by previewers as a not-to-be-missed screen experience.

This great picture will be shown for the last time today (Thursday) at Elba Theatre. Don't miss it. As in "Grapes of Wrath," which scored a tremendous hit with movie-goers, "Tobacco Road" has the same director-writer combination of John Ford and Nunnally Johnson. A brilliant cast, chosen with great care, is topped by Charley Grapewin as Jeter Lester, Marjorie Rameau as Sister Bessie, Gene Tierney who plays Ellie May and William Tracy as Dude Lester.

## W. T. WHITMAN TO PRESIDE AT STATE DRUGGISTS' MEET

Mr. W. T. Whitman is planning to leave Monday for Birmingham, where he will preside at the annual convention of the Alabama Pharmaceutical Association. President Whitman is pardoningly proud of the fact that under his year's leadership the Association has the largest membership in its history and indications point to a record-breaking attendance. The convention convenes June 10 and 11 and lasts three days. President Whitman has been busy the past few days whipping his presidential address into shape.

Several nationally prominent speakers are on the program and everything points to a fine convention.

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## Former Elbian Killed By Train At Flat Top

Mr. Edlio Wright, for many years a resident of Elba and well known to people of Southeast Alabama, was killed by a train at Flat Top, near Birmingham, last Thursday night about 9:30, according to a news dispatch in state papers. Details of the fatal accident have not been learned. Relatives in the county were not advised of Mr. Wright's passing.

Mr. Wright was born at Eulach, Crenshaw County, and resided at Troy. Early in young manhood he came to Elba and made his home here for a long period of years. Countless friends are grieved at news of his death.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Pearl Lightner Wright, of Flat Top; two sons, Rudolph Wright, of Miami, Fla.; Edlio Wright, Jr., of Flat Top; one daughter, Mrs. Luther Johnson, of Montgomery, three sisters, Mrs. H. C. White, of Troy; Mrs. Morris Nelson, of Rome, New York; and Mrs. S. M. Fleming, of York.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon from the Undertaker's parlour in Birmingham. Burial was in a Birmingham cemetery.

## CURTIS SCHOOL BUILDING WILL SOON BE FINISHED

Through the courtesy of Mr. J. T. Baker, superintendent of construction, The Clipper editor had the privilege of seeing the new Curtis Junior High School building which is replacing the one lost by fire, is nearing completion and unless something unforeseen develops will be finished on schedule time.

The new structure contains eight class rooms and a large auditorium and recent addition to the plans will permit two indoor tennis courts. The outside walls are white asbestos siding and the asbestos shingles on the roof have enough color to make a nice appearance. Inside walls and doors will be of selected pine and overhead ceiling is thick insulation board. Walls of the several class rooms will be finished in pastel colors, and windows are something new for this section, being the clearlite, non-glare type glass. It will be a fine building and Curtis people are justly proud of it.

Work was started on the structure October 22, last year, and although there has been delay in getting material and delay on account of changing plans (original plans were for six class rooms), Mr. Baker states that it will be finished within the ten-month period allowed. WPA is assisting the County Board on the building.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at three o'clock in the home of Dr. D. D. Murphy in Prattville. Rev. B. T. Thompson, pastor of the Prattville Episcopal Church, conducted the services. Interment was in the Prattville cemetery. Pallbearers were Cecil Alexander, Marney McVilliams, Clifford Estaman, Graves Duncan, Leo Stewart, and Harry Barnes. Bonneau-Jeter had charge of funeral arrangements.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bonneau, Mrs. Foy English and little daughter, Margaret, spent Sunday in Greenville guests of Mrs. C. S. West.

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## ELBA SALESMAN WINNER IN NATIONAL CONTEST

An Elba automobile salesman was announced last Thursday as an award winner in a national questionnaire contest conducted by the Fisher Body and Chevrolet divisions of General Motors Corporation.

He is S. N. Rowe, of Dorsey Brothers Company, who won 9th place in the Birmingham zone. Rowe was among 450 winners in the contest, the results of which were announced in Detroit by William S. McLean, director of advertising for Fisher Body.

All regional winners in the contest, as well as regional winners in a similar contest conducted among the other four passenger car divisions of General Motors, Oldsmobile, Pontiac, Buick and Cadillac, will receive a four-day trip to Detroit with all expenses paid. All zone winners will receive awards of merchandise.

All retail salesmen employed at Chevrolet dealerships throughout the country were eligible for the contest, the third such questionnaire event sponsored by Fisher Body and the five General Motors automobile divisions. Preceding the contest was an educational campaign to more fully acquaint salesmen with such outstanding features as the Unisteel Hi-tensile safety plate glass, etc.

Mr. Rowe is receiving congratulations from his friends in Elba on his ability to get in the winning class of every contest. About a year ago he was awarded a handsome Hamilton watch by Chevrolet for his sales ability.

**MRS. ELVA V. BOOTH DIED FRIDAY; BURIAL SATURDAY**  
Mrs. Elva V. Booth, 68 years of age, died last Friday morning at 10:45 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hendrix Jeter, following a long period of ill health. Heart trouble is said to have been the cause of her death. For more than a week it was known that her condition was critical, but she had been suffering from a cold for some time. She was born in Mobile No. 1 located at Elba. The date for registration has been set for July 1, 1941, and it has been estimated that one million young men will be registered on that date. This is the second registration date to be ordered.

Selective Service Boards throughout the country will handle registrations with present force personnel, and all young men who shall have reached the age of 21 years by July 1, 1941, and who have not already registered will be required to present themselves to their local boards.

## SELLS FREIGHT LINE

Foy English, who has operated a freight line here for the past several years, announces today that he has sold his interest and equipment to the Harrell Transfer Line of Enterprise. Mr. Harrell has been operating for a long time and is known to many Elba business houses already. Mr. English has not announced his plans for the future.

## GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY!

FOR LATEST NEWS OF INTEREST READ THE ELBA CLIPPER

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## Keep An Account Of Your Food

ALABAMIANS can grow vegetables and fruits—plenty of health—on the farms this year. In fact each farm family can grow exactly what that family needs from a health and nutrition standpoint.

To help them out Mildred Simon, extension nutrition specialist, has prepared a food production plan for the farm. It is a handy thing—a cardstock which can be hung on your kitchen wall. For instance, it will tell you how much milk you need each day for your family and how much you will need during the year. Then there are meat and meat products, eggs, vegetables, fruits, preserves and jellies—in fact all kinds of food needs are listed.

In one column Miss Simon tells how to provide the food needed by the average farm family. Another column tells how much needs to be canned and preserved and still another column provides space for you to determine the amounts needed for your family which may be larger or smaller than the average.

If you haven't one of these cards get one from your community home demonstration club or the county home demonstration agent.

## He Believes In Feather Brooder

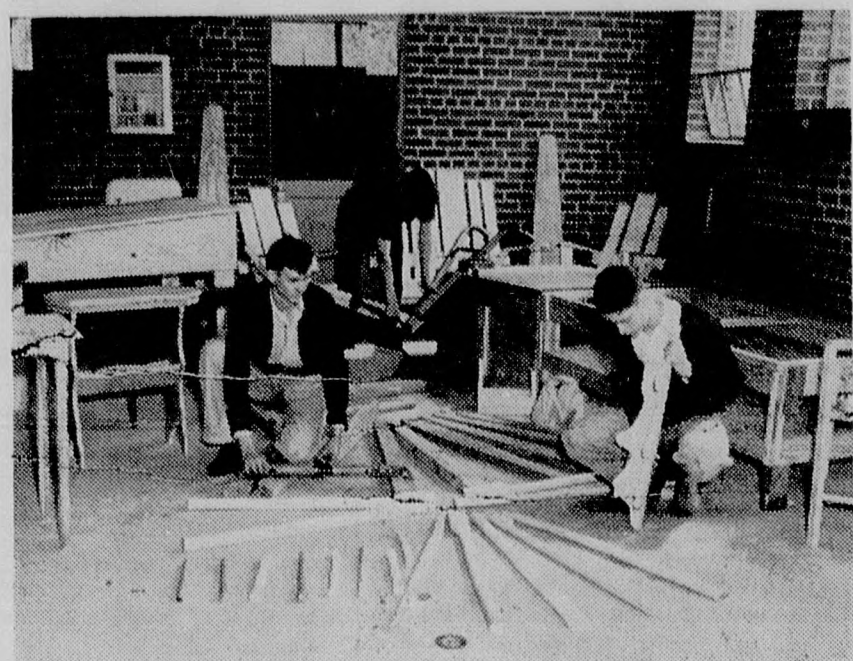
W. C. HARRIS, who lives in Calhoun County, is a pretty good farmer any way you consider it, says Guy Hood, county agent. Mr. Harris had unusual success this spring with feather-board brooders and at the end of three weeks he had 299 chicks from an original 800 which he purchased.

This is the third year that Mr. Harris has used the feather-board type of brooder. He says, "I believe they are the easiest to operate and raise the best chicks of any brooder I have ever used."

## NO NORMALCY

NO true American can feel anything but sorrow as new and more serious aspects of the world condition arise each day. Caroline F. Ware, assistant to Harriet Elliot of the Consumers' Division of the National Defense Commission, probably best explains the general feeling thus:

"There can be no 'back to normalcy,' for there is no normalcy to which we can return. We have no choice but to go on. There is but one answer to the question, 'where do we go?'—and that is we must go on to an economy geared to a high and rising standard of living for all people, and, for all the people, a society based on the four great democratic freedoms—freedom from want and fear, freedom for expression and worship. . . . We must recognize too that elements of the world which we have known are gone beyond recall."



Of special importance in this time of national defense and the need for greater skill on the part of young men are the vocational classes in Alabama schools. But they are important from the farmers' standpoint also as the class in the Tuskegee High School above indicates. In the picture are Edwin Segrest, left; Otis Robinson, center; and Leonius Story. These boys and fellow class members make tables, magazine racks, plow handles, axe and hammer handles and many other things needed on the farm.

## MEAL OF THE MONTH— "Alabama June Breakfast"

STRAWBERRIES  
EGGS AND BACON  
WHOLE WHEAT MUFFINS  
BUTTER  
MILK OR COFFEE

KEY your menus up to the season. Serve freshly picked strawberries with cream and a little sugar. Follow this with a platter of eggs, scrambled and cooked slowly in butter and laced with crisp home-cured bacon. To top this breakfast off, bake whole wheat muffins and serve hot, with fresh country butter. Children will like milk with their breakfast and adults milk or coffee.

## Muffins

A suggested recipe for whole wheat muffins follows. It also may be found in the Auburn recipe book:

1 1/2 c. whole wheat flour 1 egg  
1/2 c. white flour 2 tb. sugar  
3 tb. fat 1/2 t. salt  
1 c. milk

Mix and sift dry ingredients. Add part of milk to beaten egg. Add to dry ingredients. Add melted fat and remaining milk. Beat well and put in greased muffin rings. Bake in hot oven 20 minutes.

A new feature, "Meal of the Month," begins with this issue. If you want other recipes get a copy of the bulletin, "Recipes," from your home demonstration agent, or write Extension Service, Auburn, Alabama, and mention This Month in Rural Alabama.

## Livestock In June

With Farmers Successful In Livestock Production

SHEEP producers will sell all market lambs that have not already been sold. These lambs should by this time be tops, weighing 75 pounds or more. All ewes and ewe lambs kept for replacement should be drenched with copper sulphate nicotine solution or phenothiazine.

HOG producers who will market peanuts through hogs will start pushing their pigs so they will weigh 75 pounds or more when the peanuts are ready in August or September. All hogs will be turned on soy bean, kudzu, lespedeza or other legume pasture.

FARMERS who market corn through hogs will start pushing their hogs by giving them a full feed of corn on legume pastures, but where farmers are waiting for corn to be harvested this fall, they will carry their hogs along with about one pound of corn per head per day on a good legume pasture.

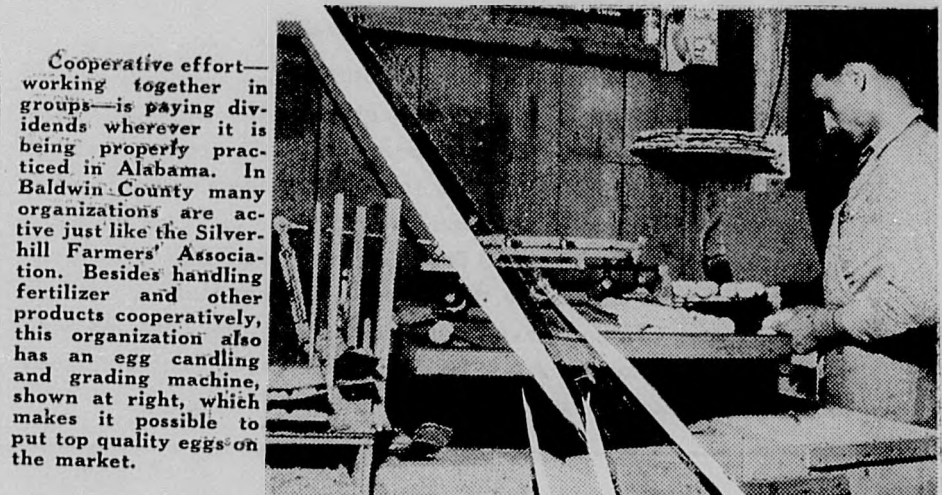
THOSE farmers who want their calves to come in the spring will breed their cows this month.

ALL pastures should be mown to control weeds and to improve the quality of grazing.

## Worms Help

In some soils, particularly in heavy clays, the activity of earthworms may make the difference between good absorption of rain water and poor absorption that allows much of the water to flow away without soaking in. Scientists have observed that in soils of this type, earthworms are much more likely to be active in pastures and meadows than in cultivated fields, so that their burrows as well as the presence of decaying root channels and organic matter may help to explain why there is usually much less run-off from grassed areas than from tilled fields.

A handy item for the kitchen is a wood box on rollers. It can be moved to the door for filling. For a neat appearance, it may be covered with linoleum.



Cooperative effort—working together in groups—is paying dividends wherever it is being properly practiced in Alabama. In Baldwin County many organizations are active just like the Silverhill Farmers' Association. Besides handling fertilizer and other products cooperatively, this organization also has an egg candling and grading machine, shown at right, which makes it possible to put top quality eggs on the market.

## From Curb Market To Hawaii

MRS. H. S. PHILLIPS probably didn't realize when she started making Japanese fruit cakes that they would be going to distant parts of the globe. Mrs. Phillips has built up a good trade for her fruit cakes on the Valley curb market in Chambers County.

Recently at the curb market she sold three cakes in one day—one to be shipped to Honolulu, Hawaii, one to be shipped to New Orleans, and one to be sent to Pennsylvania. The Japanese fruit cake remains fresh and delicious even when sent long distances, says Nellie Daughtry, home agent.

During the month of March Mrs. Phillips' total receipts for three selling days at the curb market were \$15. While her best "sales" are cakes, she sells poultry, eggs, and other home-grown products. In addition she has an established trade with women of West Point, Georgia, for cakes and poultry which she has been supplying for the past seven years.

## How Big Is The Terracing Job?

It takes only an hour longer to terrace an acre of land with a team and slip scrape than it does to "flat break" it. If every mule in Alabama could average six acres of terraces a year all Alabama farm land needing terraces would have them in five years time.

That is a big story told in a few words by J. B. Wilson, Extension agricultural engineer. He adds that farmers terraced only 310,840 acres last year, considerably less than half of the one million acres which should be terraced each of the next five years.

Says Wilson: "Seven and one-half million acres of farm land in Alabama needs to have terraces. We have terraced 2 1/2 million of these, leaving five million, or one million per year, which we hope to terrace in the next five years under the Alabama 4-point conservation program."

"There are about 600 feet of terrace per acre. With a team and slip scrape a farmer can construct about 100 feet of terraces in an hour. Comparing the labor of building terraces with that of plowing we can estimate that one acre of land can be terraced every six hours by the slip scrape method."

"Considering the fact that farmers do a big job of flat breaking their land every spring, it doesn't seem impossible to do a 'big job' of terracing if the men and mules are directed to it."

THE cotton farmer who, thinking he is going to make a killing, plants more cotton than his allotment this year is going to be a sadder, but much wiser person in the fall.—The Covington News.

## Good Slogan

SOIL conservation folks have pulled a new slogan out of the bag. It is "Move the Fence for Soil Defense."

Farmers used to make the field fit the fence. This practice led in many cases to increased soil losses. Now farmers cooperating in soil conservation measures are finding it better to make the fence fit the field.

Thus, the slogan, "Move the Fence for Soil Defense," isn't such a bad idea after all.

## Poultry, Milk Are Furnishing Income

A poultry project and sales of milk and butter are painting the inside of Mrs. H. M. Kelley's home in Poplar Spring, Chilton County, and buying new curtains and shades. She plans for the two projects to repaint the outside of the house this year.

This is just another example of how poultry and the dairy cow can not only furnish more food for home use but can furnish additional farm income.

MR. and Mrs. M. C. Fields, of Ethelville in Pickens County, sold \$355.86 worth of milk and butter from an average of six cows last year besides having plenty for a family of six and a considerable amount for neighbors. All of the feed was raised on the farm and \$20 worth of calves and \$35 from a young male was other income not included in the sale of milk. Three small calves were given away.

Still further the Fields added three registered heifers and a bull to the herd during the year.

## Freezing Plants Improve Diets

FREEZER locker plants now moving into rural sections may become important aids to diet, health, and vigor of many farm families—and particularly in the Cotton Belt. Along with their salted and canned foods and their winter garden products, many southern families need fresh lean meat, fruits, and vegetables, federal nutrition and extension workers emphasize. Freezer locker service will help them to have such home-raised foods the year round.

Southern farmers have long been interested in freezer lockers for curing their home-dressed hogs, but the new freezing plants promise to be valuable also in bringing fresh meat, fruits, and vegetables to many people who have not been getting enough of these protective foods.

OLILING the points will make it easier to drive staples or nails into locust, oak, or other hard posts or lumber.



Here's food for thought—and plenty of food for winter when the garden may not be so good or when the fruit trees are not bearing. There's nothing that pays better dividends than an efficient canning program, say successful farm men and women. In modern canning there's no reason for food preservation failures and there's information on how much each person in a family will require in canned fruits and vegetables. How to have plenty of food is really food for thought.

## Farmers Progress

AS American farmers begin to add up their conservation efforts of 1940, they can look back on the year 1939 as a "yardstick." A recent summary by the AAA shows that in 1939, the last year for which records are complete, U. S. farmers marked up a new record in replenishing the fertility of their soil.

Six million farmers, operating farms comprising 78 per cent of the Nation's cropland, participated in the 1939 AAA Farm Program. They improved their soil by putting back into it 640,000 tons of phosphate. They applied nearly 6 million tons of lime.

They planted 26 million acres of cover crops and green manure crops. They planted 41 million acres of new seedlings of legumes and grasses, and protected 26 million acres of cropland by contour farming, strip cropping, and modern fallow methods. In addition, they built 354 million feet of terraces, enough to reach 2 1/2 times around the world.

MACON County home demonstration club women have cooperated in Red Cross work by making over 500 garments.

## "Pot Likker"

If "pot likker" could climb further up the social ladder, a lot of folks would be better off, nutritionally speaking, observes M. L. Wilson, director of the U. S. Extension Service, who tells of a clinic where white persons examined showed lack of proper food more than did Negroes.

One of the reasons is that Negroes consume the pot likker—the water in which vegetables are cooked—while the white family throws it away. It is available to both. The difference is a matter of food habits which have developed over generations.

## A New Touch

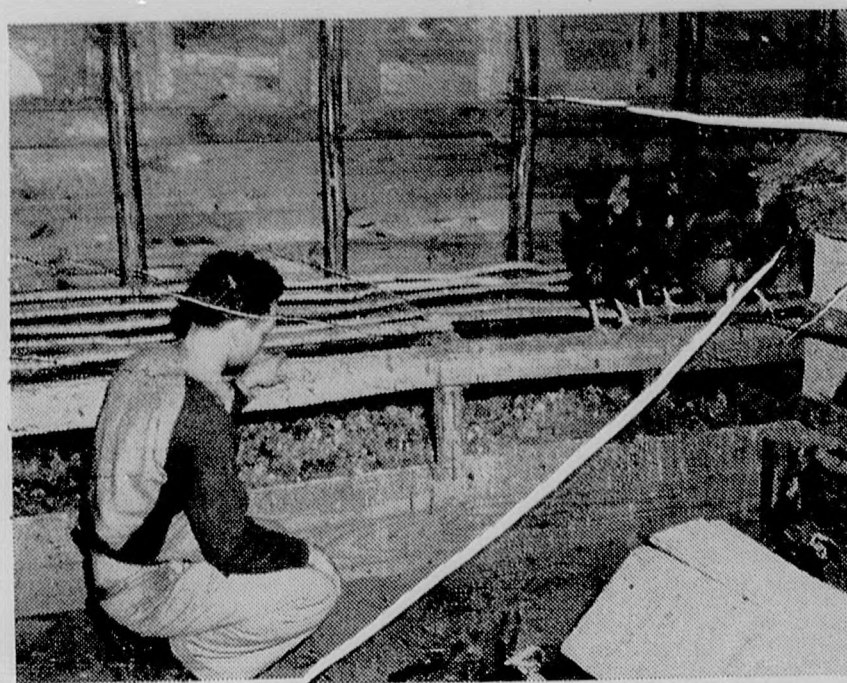
WANT to add a new touch to the kitchen or dining room? Unfortunately the annual urge to buy something new doesn't always fit in with the family finances but old things can be made new with a can of paint or varnish which doesn't cost a great deal of money. Try adding a new touch by repainting or refinishing your chairs or other furniture. Directions for refinishing furniture can be obtained in a free bulletin from the county home demonstration agent.

POOR ORIGINAL









Overlooking no opportunities in his "Go to College" poultry project, Barnett Spraling, 4-H club boy of Roba, Macon County, is using phosphate to make his own 6-8-4 fertilizer with the droppings from his laying flock. Barnett has about 750 layers, besides 800 sexed baby chicks bought this past spring. He has a good market in Montgomery for hatching eggs and in Atlanta for edible eggs. All profit from the flock goes into his college expenses at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute. He adds 14 pounds acid phosphate to the dropping pit each week for each 100 hens to make the 6-8-4.

## Fit Livestock To The Farm

OF the nine million acres of cultivatable land in Alabama only three million acres are being used to furnish most of our farm income. The big Alabama farm income problem is how to use the other six million acres to bring in additional income.

The question is answered by many by saying we need some form of livestock. W. H. Gregory, Extension livestock specialist, suggests one way of getting more income from the idle acres. He says improved pastures and growing more hay and grain on these acres can bring extra income if pasture grasses and hay and grains are sold through livestock and livestock products.

That brings the question, what kind of livestock? Gregory leaves that question for the farmer to answer. He says the type of livestock depends upon the kind of feed and the labor and land conditions on the farm. To those farmers who grow a lot of corn, grain and peanuts, Gregory suggests hogs and chickens. For folks who have plenty of good pasture land and little labor he recommends beef cattle. If a farmer has only a few acres for a good pasture but plenty of labor Gregory suggests that he market feed crops through dairy cattle.

GOOD crop years alone will not bring success. It is going to take intelligent application of practical planning, diversified crops, and a well balanced farm program. This is available if our farmers will only take advantage. —Pickens County Herald.

## Garden Specialist Practices Own Advice And Saves Money

### Is This Your Part?

IN times of emergency like these every housewife can serve her country in one way at least. She can do her bit by feeding her family food that will keep them in best physical condition. Young men going into military training, young people going into defense industries, older people taking over more work at home and on the farm, everybody needs to be in condition to keep up the strength of the country.

It is said that the Army fights on its stomach. It can also be said that no nation is stronger or more healthful than the strength and health of its people.

W. A. RUFFIN, Extension garden specialist, practices what he preaches about having a good all-year home garden—and it brings him a 13th, and biggest, pay check of the year. His backyard garden and orchard at Auburn produces 11 varieties of fruits and, at the very least, 12 different vegetables during 12 months of the year.

No month passes without vegetables being planted or gathered for eating; this is true for the past 48 months. Some of the crops are dewberries, figs, cherries, apples, pears, peaches, strawberries, plums, cabbage, tomatoes, turnips, radishes, beans, carrots, lettuce, okra, corn, potatoes, peas and broccoli.

He uses a push plow, and with his wife and one helper, does all of the work. He travels in his work with the Extension Service and is away from home around three weeks of each month.

"Some folks say town gardens are foolishness, but mine certainly has paid dividends," Ruffin says. "The 13th check I get from the garden is the largest I get and is above \$300 because it feeds five people in town on a \$30-a-month grocery bill throughout the year. Any farmer, regardless of how small his operations are, can put as much time and effort in a sandy land garden as I have and get as much or more benefit."

## Be Sure To Save Seed

AGRICULTURAL leaders are urging every Alabama farmer with vetch, crimson clover, Willamette vetch, white Dutch clover, lespedeza, lespedeza sericea, or other hay and conservation crops to save every possible seed this year.

Under the Alabama plan these crops are becoming much more important. An example of the importance of these seed is that in Colbert County more than 10,000 pounds of lespedeza sericea seed are being planted this year. Before this year not more than 10 farmers were growing sericea.

## Etowah Grows Good Cotton

INSTEAD of a single one-variety cotton community established at Coats Bend in 1931, Etowah County now boasts that over half of all the cotton produced is grown in eight one-variety projects.

Approximately 9,000 bales are produced in these one-variety communities and in addition 95 per cent of all cotton grown in the county is of a recommended variety due to the sale of seed by farmers in these communities to other farmers who are not members of the community.

The eight one-variety communities are Coats Bend, Pilgrim's Rest, Southside, Samuel's Chapel, Morton's Chapel, Aurora, Duck Springs, and Sand Mountain. In the Duck Springs community, 99 1/2 per cent of the 1940 cotton had normal preparation, only one-half of one per cent was gin cut and 88 per cent of all the cotton was middling or better in grade.

THERE are 41,713 active home demonstration club members working toward better farm homes and better health in 1,313 community home demonstration clubs in Alabama.

## Here's A 79 Million Dollar Alabama Investment

WHAT'S Alabama's investment in livestock? We do not know the investment of the rank and file of farmers but we have it on good authority that our 350,000 horses and mules are worth over 47 million dollars, our one million cattle are worth about 23 million dollars and our one million hogs are worth at least nine million dollars.

That's an investment worth protecting, says W. H. Gregory, Extension livestock specialist. In fact, that's what Mr. Gregory urges that farmers do—think first about taking care of this investment in livestock and replacing inferior animals and then think about working in additional numbers and additional types of livestock to fit the conditions on the farm where there is plenty of feed.

### 'TIS VERY TRUE

WE must produce what we need for home consumption. By home consumption we mean enough for ourselves and our neighbors who live close by but who are not engaged in farming. We cannot produce many crops profitably for other markets, but we can produce many things for our own use and have enough that we do not use ourselves to furnish the markets at large, and our surpluses will afford us a profit.—Dadeville Record.

### NEW TENANT SYSTEM

IN Hale County the old cotton tenant system is being replaced by a dairy tenant system advocated by County Agent J. A. Medlock. With 18 milk routes in the county and with income from dairy products alone already about \$50,000 annually, dairy tenant units have proven more profitable than cotton farming. Agent Medlock, however, is urging this system as a supplement to rather than replacement of the cotton system.

## Increase In Eggs Asked

AN increase of 10 million cases of eggs in the next 15 months to meet defense needs—that is the goal set for American farmers by the Department of Agriculture. What can Alabama poultry producers and farmers do as their part in this?

John E. Ivey, Extension poultryman, says the goal can be achieved by ample feeding, by holding hens for late summer and fall production and by filling poultry houses to capacity with laying birds this fall.

The Department of Agriculture is supporting a food plan by pegging the price at 22c a dozen at Chicago. While all eggs will not bring 22c per dozen because of price differentials for various grades, Mr. Ivey does believe that egg production will be more profitable this year than in the past.

Mr. Ivey sums up the program by saying plenty of feed and good management mean more eggs and more eggs is what the program is designed to accomplish. He says, "give hens all they will eat this spring."

## Broilers Pay In Cullman County

BROILER production is on the up-grade in Cullman County. County Agent C. T. Bailey says the industry has graduated from a small unit system into large production.

He tells about a few of the people who are making broilers pay. L. M. and Murry Goodlett, of Route 2, Cullman, have been producing broilers for a number of years, increasing their operations until at present they are turning out 12,000 broilers annually. They grow their own corn with which to supplement the growing ration and have developed their markets. They keep a flock of 600 laying hens in addition to the broilers.

A. E. and R. E. Brock, of Route 2, Cullman, started four years ago and are producing a large quantity of broilers each year. Production is organized in such a way that some broilers go to market weekly, distributing work and marketing throughout the year.

Mrs. C. M. Foehee purchased 500 chicks and fed them out at a cost of \$178 and sold them at nine weeks of age for \$299. She raises from 400 to 600 laying hens annually and is making a nice profit above feed cost because all of the grain fed to the chickens is produced on the farm.



Lespedeza sericea is receiving plenty of attention. Alabama farmers this year since it, along with kudzu, makes up one of the four major objectives of the Alabama five-year conservation plan. It's a valuable hay crop from the second year on, provided it is cut at the right time which is when it is about 12 to 15 inches high. The picture at left was taken at the Belle Mina experiment station in Limestone County.

## Appetites Are Changing

HOW'S your appetite—and has it changed? Statistics say it has.

Today we are eating less wheat and other cereals per capita, fewer potatoes and apples, less beef and veal, and drinking less tea than we did in 1909. Government reports that show this indicate that we eat more vegetables, citrus fruits, sugar, poultry and eggs, fluid milk and manufactured dairy products, edible fats and oils other than lard and butter, cocoa and chocolate, and coffee.

Consumption of lamb and mutton, pork and lard, butter, and sweet potatoes has varied but the general level has not changed.

Reasons for these changes are not entirely clear but greater number of city dwellers, greater variety of foods to select from, and changes in mode of living probably affect consumption trends.

## Going To Buy A New Shirt?

THE guesswork has gone out of shirt buying. Catherine Haynes, Extension clothing specialist, says to examine the shirt closely, read the label, ask questions of the sales person, and insist on clear cut answers.

Look on the label for shrinkage facts. All good quality shirts are preshrunk in all parts. Look on the label too for facts about colorfastness. Vat dyed shirts are usually resistant to light, washing and perspiration.

Check for workmanship and color, the front plait, the sleeves and the back. Look for close, even stitching. Determine if the shirt is full cut. To check this look first at the shirt tails. If these are skippy the whole shirt is likely to be cut small. Shirt tails should be well-rounded with back and front the same length.



Bugs and other insects will take the garden, after it is fertilized and planted, unless war is waged continuously. Here Mrs. F. P. Farrar, Frisco City, Monroe County, "fights" with plenty of ammunition—a gun filled with dust containing rotenone.

## Farmer Takes Rap

DURING the aggressive expansion of the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries the economic isolation of the farmer was not a serious disadvantage. His market both at home and abroad expanded as rapidly—sometimes more rapidly—than his ability to supply it according to Chester Davis, Agricultural Commissioner, National Defense Commission.

But since the World War the American farmer has been living in a contracting market. European countries during the post-war period no longer financed our railroads, and our industries, and we no longer serviced our debt with wheat and cotton. With controlled immigration and later a slower rate of population increase, our domestic market has been growing less rapidly than before.

The free market of the farm producer reflected the full burden of this new situation—and reflected it directly on the producer. The farmer could not, as could industry, control or check the downward movement in his prices and gradually adjust his supply to the new situation. He had to take the rap.

## Household Helps

TO flour chicken for frying, put a quantity of flour in a paper sack and then put in several pieces of chicken and shake the sack. This prevents the flour from becoming lumpy and properly covering the chicken, and is twice as fast as the usual way.

TO prevent a fountain pen from leaking, a little soap rubbed on all threaded parts will be found to be effective.

WHEN beating egg whites, put a pinch of salt in them before beating, and they will whip up much faster.

## Housing Survey Made In Coosa Valley Area

IN a survey of housing and labor needs in the Coosa Valley defense area, comprising 12 counties in northeast Alabama, Alabama Land Use Planning committees recommended sites of 3,252 defense houses.

The survey was made at the request of the United States housing coordinator and the National Defense Advisory Commission. Approximately 25,000 farm families were included in the survey.

The Coosa Valley area includes the Childersburg Ordnance Plant and the Bag Loading Plant in Talladega County; Fort McClellan, the Ammunition Depot, and the Firing Range and Maneuver Grounds in Calhoun County and the Shell Forging Plant at Gadsden in Etowah County.

More than half the farm families in the area needed better housing facilities—3,252 sites for government defense houses were recommended. Most of the farm families were interested in obtaining non-farm employment in the defense projects. It is contemplated that the Ordnance Plant will require 2,000 skilled and 2,000 unskilled men; the Bag Loading Plant 75 skilled and 1,200 unskilled men and 1,500 women; the Shell Forging Plant 250 skilled and 750 unskilled men.

More than 1,700 farm men and women who are members of the Alabama Land Use Planning committees took part in the survey. The State Planning Commission and several federal agricultural agencies took an active part in the survey.

Where farms were found to have inadequate housing the owner was asked whether he would be willing to lease an acre or two of land to the federal government as a site for a defense house. This house would be occupied by a family, the head of which would be employed in one of the defense plants. After the plant work was completed the house would be for sale to the landowner.

In the towns in the area there was found to be a need for 1,000 defense family units, or houses, distributed as follows: Lincoln, 50; Talladega, 300; Sylacauga, 300; Childersburg, 250; Vinson, 50; and Wilsonville, 50.

A handy broom holder is easily made by nailing two large spoons on the wall about two inches apart.

CROTALARIA is a most valuable summer growing soil-building crop for the Gulf Coast counties in Alabama.

IS your daughter a member of the 4-H club? There are more than 45,552 white 4-H club girls in 1,239 community 4-H clubs in all counties of Alabama.





While farm families have until June 15 to sign intention forms in the AAA office to participate in the supplementary cotton program, meetings are already being held with retail and wholesale merchants to acquaint them with the program. Farm families will receive stamps for making further reductions in cotton acreage and will exchange these stamps with merchants for cotton clothing and other cotton goods. Merchants who have not been contacted and been told how they can participate in this cotton program should see their county or home agents immediately. Stamps will be issued farm families as soon as compliance in the program is checked by the county AAA committee.

## Farm and Home Items Of Interest

ALABAMA farmers have made great strides in the improvement of their cotton. In 1929 only 4 per cent of the crop was 15/16 of an inch or longer in staple length. In 1940 this percentage had jumped to 86 per cent.

### MORE TOOLS

BANKERS and lending agencies need to lend more money, and for longer periods, to farmers so they can have better tools to work with, says Donald Comer, nationally recognized industrial

### Farm Questions Answered:

Are there questions you want answered? Send them to This Month in Rural Alabama, Extension Service, Auburn. Answers will be given in this space in the next issue.

Q. How can I make an inexpensive homemade stain?

A. Use 50 pounds of dry oxide of iron in 17 gallons of used motor oil or use cressets for half the cost. Allow to stand overnight. Apply over prime (first coat of oil).

Q. How much green feed should I allow for 100 head?

A. Plant 1/3 to 1/2 of an acre, depending upon crop and whether or not more than one plot of green feed is being used.

Q. How can I get information on how much food I need to eat?

A. See your community home demonstration club president or your home demonstration agent for a food canning budget and a bulletin on food preservation.

### OVERTIME

CLIFFORD GREGORY, publisher of Wallace's Farmer, Iowa farm paper, and a member of the National Defense Commission in Washington, tells an interesting little story about the new food program of the Department of Agriculture. He writes:

This column interviewed Mrs. Iowa Hen to ask what she thought about Secretary Wickard's appeal for more eggs. "My patriotism is equal to producing all the eggs I can in a 40-hour week," said Mrs. Hen. "That is about three eggs, and I will be glad to do that much for 22 cents a dozen. (That is the pegged price of eggs on Chicago market under the new food program.) But if the secretary wants me to produce six eggs a week instead of three, that will run me into overtime, for which I will be charged time and one-half. So the additional three eggs will cost 33 cents a dozen instead of 22 cents."

### SEED

UNITED STATES seeds men want folks to change their eating habits and eat more of the new vegetables perfected in laboratories. Since the war, spinach seed has gone up from 11 to 70 cents a pound and onion seeds have climbed from 30 cents to \$4.50 a pound, says Cosmopolitan Magazine.

## Farmer Urged To Sell Cotton At Parity Price

I. W. DUGGAN, director of the Southern Division, AAA, has urged cotton growers of the South to refuse to sell their 1941 cotton for less than parity price. Speaking in Arkansas recently, Mr. Duggan cited the increasing cost of things that farmers buy and the increase in mill margins for manufacturing cotton cloth.

He proposed that growers hold their loan cotton and the 1941 cotton for the parity price of 15.87¢ per pound. Mr. Duggan pointed out the wages, mill margins, retail prices and the price of everything the cotton farmer buys but increased while the only thing that has prevented a drastic decline in the price of cotton has been the government loan.

"The recent increase in the wholesale price of cotton goods is not reflected in the farm price of cotton, but is due to the increase in the mill margins," Duggan said. "In March, 1940, the average price of wholesale cotton cloth was 22.29¢ per pound. The average price of cotton contained in these cloths was 10.70¢ per pound and the mill margin was 11.59¢ per pound.

"In the first week of April, 1941, the average wholesale price had advanced to 30.96¢ per pound and mill margins had increased to 19.70¢ per pound and the average cost of the cotton contained in the cloth increased to 11.26¢ per pound. Thus, while the mill margins increased 8.11¢ per pound price of cotton increased only .56¢ per pound. If this mill margin had remained constant and the price of cotton had advanced to the present price of wholesale cotton cloth it would mean that cotton prices would have advanced more than 8¢ per pound.

ASHES placed in the circle formed by an old tire lying on the ground make a good dust-er for chickens.

### A Heritage . . .

NO finer heritage can any mother leave to her children than fine teeth and strong straight bones. Recent studies show that calcium and phosphorus are the building materials for strong teeth while vitamins A, C, and D are aids in building bones.

Best food for calcium is milk though such foods as leafy vegetables and sirup help supply calcium. Milk also supplies phosphorus as do eggs, lean meats, whole grain cereals, beans and peas. Vitamin A, found in eggs, butter, and green and yellow vegetables, helps form the enamel on teeth. Vitamin C, found in fruits and vegetables, helps form the dentine under the enamel of teeth. Vitamin D, the sunshine vitamin, helps the body absorb and use calcium and phosphorus.

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## Here's New Angle On Old-Time Quilting "Bee," It's Play

DO you dread quilting? Some of the women of the Melvin community in Choctaw County did but they solved this problem and made quilting play instead of work.

Five of the ladies were together one afternoon when someone suggested that when any one of them started a quilt the others would help quilt it. After these five women started they invited their neighbors to help. Now it is an easy matter to make and mend quilts in one afternoon. There are now 16 ladies working on this plan, making it possible for two quilts to be made in one afternoon. A large number of quilts has been made since the plan was started three years ago.

These ladies made the same idea work in mattress making. As soon as they had finished making the mattresses, material for which was furnished them under the cotton mattress program, they began to repair and make-over their old mattresses and pillows. Their practice of quilting during the winter and making mattresses during the summer is certainly proving profitable and the work is not half the drudgery it used to be.

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## Farm Bureau Membership At Highest Peak

Membership of the Alabama Farm Bureau Federation for 1941 is up 50 per cent over 1940 and stands at an all-time high, reports Walter L. Randolph, president of the organization of farmers. The membership, he said, now 36,501, the largest ever secured during the 20-year history of the organization. The second best year, said Mr. Randolph, was 1933 when the Federation had 32,000 members. Last year's membership at this time was 34,000.

Tuscaloosa with 3,076 members is the largest county Farm Bureau in Alabama. Montgomery is second with 1,742, Lauderdale third with 1,501, Pickens fourth with 1,231, and Cleveland fifth with 1,272.

The Farm Bureau Executive Committee at a recent meeting went on record endorsing the work of President Edward A. O'Neal of the American Farm Bureau Federation and Senator John H. Bankhead and Senator H. Hill and other members of the Alabama delegation in Congress, and President Richard Russell of Georgia, and Congressmen Clarence Cannon of Missouri for their leadership in getting out the new food program.

"Cotton growers who cooperate in the AAA program will be entitled to a loan of 15¢ cents per pound on their 1941 cotton crop," said Mr. Randolph. "This means an increase of about \$20 a bale over 1940 returns. The remaining 15¢ cent of parity will be made up by conservation and parity payments totaling 2.75 cents, making a total return per pound for cotton of better than 16 cents."

The Executive Committee adopted a resolution requesting the Alabama Polytechnic Institute to make a complete study of the Irish potato situation in the United States. "It is hoped that this study will lead to legislation for potato growers similar to that now provided for growers of cotton, peanuts and other crops," said Mr. Randolph.

In reporting on the Farm Bureau victory in achieving parity, Mr. Randolph read a statement by Congressman Clarence Cannon as follows: "It was necessary to oppose the Department of Agriculture in order to pass the bill. And, on the other hand, it could never have been passed without the long and aggressive campaign and earnest cooperation of the farm organizations. I cannot refrain from expressing the appreciation I am certain all feel of the able and tactful service of President Edward A. O'Neal and the American Farm Bureau Federation. His contribution to the American farmer is the enactment of this bill should move every farmer in the United States to promptly affiliate himself with his nearest farm organization."

In accordance with the by-laws of the Farm Bureau its executive committee divided the State into nine districts on a basis of membership. Coffee County is in district number 5. Representatives on the 1942 executive committee from these districts will be elected at the annual meeting of the Farm Bureau in October.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Whitman left Sunday afternoon for Gainesville, Fla., where Mr. Whitman stood examination Monday before the Florida State Board of Pharmacy. Mr. Whitman said it is not necessary for him to have a Florida license in connection with his job at Florida, but thinks it will be a valuable asset.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. James, of Fairfield, visited relatives in Elba last week.

## Health Board Is Seeking Dental Clinic In County

At the regular monthly meeting of the Coffee County Board of Health on Thursday, June 6, 1941, a resolution was passed urging the Commissioners' Court of Coffee County to cooperate with Federal Agencies for establishing a traveling Dental Clinic for securing needed dental care for the needy children of Coffee County.

It is recognized that lack of dental care is the chief cause of disease and that the dental clinic is the chief cause of disease. All civic bodies and organizations are urged to cooperate in helping to finance the establishment of the Dental Clinic. Equipment to the amount of \$850.00 is needed to start and maintain the clinic. The dental clinic will be used to start and maintain the clinic. The dental clinic will be used to start and maintain the clinic.

The Federal Agencies will pay local dentists for their services in the clinic and will match local funds taken from private dentists. The medical examination of men chosen by selective service for military duty is giving us a picture which shows that our people are suffering from too many preventable physical handicaps.

Outstanding among the physical defects found are dental defects. First comes the defect of decayed teeth. In second place comes caries, or tooth decay. These defects are largely preventable through the development of sound teeth and gums by better balanced diets. By avoiding the use of candy and other sweets between meals and reducing sweets eaten at meals.

By most cleanliness and brushing of the teeth with toothpaste for brushing the gums and teeth are in early childhood. It is important that decayed baby teeth be filled and kept in the mouth until the permanent teeth are ready to come in. Otherwise the permanent teeth tend to come in crooked, a condition which usually hastens decay, but also leads to pyorrhea.

Parents who can afford dental care are urged to take their children to their dentist regularly, starting in early childhood. It is important that decayed baby teeth be filled and kept in the mouth until the permanent teeth are ready to come in. Otherwise the permanent teeth tend to come in crooked, a condition which usually hastens decay, but also leads to pyorrhea.

Mr. and Mrs. Haldane Strain and little daughter, Elizabeth, of Jackson, Miss., are spending some time with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Almon Strain.

Miss Mary Louise Morgan left Sunday for the University of Alabama where she has enrolled for special graduate work during the summer session.

Mr. and Mrs. Pryor Deal and six children, Elizabeth, Sylvia, Ross, Miriam, Merrill and Larry, of Cullman, Ala., visited Mr. Deal's brother, Mr. T. H. Deal, and family, Monday night. They also visited other relatives in Alabama while on their trip.

Suppl. and Mrs. C. C. Dunaway and daughter, Ann, attended a birthday dinner, given last Sunday, June 8, at the home of Mr. Dunaway's brother, Mr. Herman Dunaway, in the Haw Ridge community, celebrating the birthday of their father, Mr. John Dunaway. A sumptuous dinner and very enjoyable day is reported.

Mr. J. E. Weathering of Troy and Mr. E. W. Olin of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., were visitors at The Clipper office on Monday. Mr. Olin was formerly editor of The Clipper and is now editor and publisher of the Pompano (Fla.) Tropical Sun, and part owner of the Tropical Press, printing and publishing plant in Ft. Lauderdale. Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Olin will be interested in knowing that they have a daughter aged 11 weeks.

W. P. A. RECREATION NEWS By MISS EUNICE GRAHAM The Playground Leaders on the Elba Playground announced that a camp fire program will be held on the Elba Playground Friday evening, June 13, at 7 o'clock. Everyone is invited to attend and have a good time. Marshmallows will be toasted and a good time for all is in store, so come.

Schedule Of Recreation Programs In County During Month of June Thursday, June 13—Lee School. Friday, June 20—Bass School. Monday, June 23—Mt. Zion. Tuesday, June 24—Bannon. Wednesday, June 25—Damascus School. Friday, June 27—Pleasant Ridge School. Monday, June 30—Brooklyn. The public is cordially invited to attend all programs. Time, 7:30 P. M.

Mr. W. E. Wilks of Chancellorsville, visited Mrs. Levy Foley and Mrs. J. D. Morrow last week.

# THE ELBA CLIPPER

ELBA, ALABAMA, THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 1941.

## CROPS LOOKING FINE IN THE ELBA TERRITORY

Another fine rain fell in Elba and vicinity last Wednesday evening and night, which has made crops in this immediate section fairly bumper.

Mr. J. O. English, whose business it is to watch and report the condition of crops in this section, says he has never seen a more promising outlook for cotton, peanuts and corn than exists at the present time.

However, reports from various "dry spots" in various sections of the county are to the effect that rain is greatly needed.

The Clipper does not feel that it is necessary to say anything in favor of the three-mill district tax. THIS IS NOT A NEW TAX, but the same tax that has been levied in these school districts for many years. Nearly every year an election has been called in one or more districts for the purpose of voting a continuance of the levy. Under the new order, if voters adopt it at the polls next Tuesday, the three mills will be levied on all property in the county for a uniform period of time—that is for twenty—three years from last September.

All districts in the county now levying the tax will not have an increase—the rate remains the same and the tax will still be used for schools just as it has in the past. In some the levy would be extended for a few years perhaps but in none will it be increased.

The question of consolidating most of the existing districts into one consolidated district to be designated as Number 1, if adopted by the voters of the county, will be a great help to the taxpayer and tax collector and keep their records. It will also serve as a great convenience in many other ways.

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## Election Tuesday Very Important To Coffee Schools

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The Clipper does not feel that it is necessary to say anything in favor of the three-mill district tax. THIS IS NOT A NEW TAX, but the same tax that has been levied in these school districts for many years. Nearly every year an election has been called in one or more districts for the purpose of voting a continuance of the levy. Under the new order, if voters adopt it at the polls next Tuesday, the three mills will be levied on all property in the county for a uniform period of time—that is for twenty—three years from last September.

All districts in the county now levying the tax will not have an increase—the rate remains the same and the tax will still be used for schools just as it has in the past. In some the levy would be extended for a few years perhaps but in none will it be increased.

The question of consolidating most of the existing districts into one consolidated district to be designated as Number 1, if adopted by the voters of the county, will be a great help to the taxpayer and tax collector and keep their records. It will also serve as a great convenience in many other ways.

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The additional amount approved for this project from WPA is \$8,175.00. This, it is understood, will be in labor and materials. It is hoped that the new bridge can be completed with the additional help thus received.

## ANNUAL BETHLEHEM CAMP MEETING HELD JULY 10-20

Announcement has been received that the Bethlehem Camp Meeting will be held July 10-20. This camp meeting, founded several years ago by Rev. W. J. Hughes, a former Elba pastor, and others, has grown to large proportions, and large crowds attend the spiritual Rev. W. C. Morrison, Rev. G. M. Hamby, Rev. Edw. Garrett, Rev. A. H. Vanlandingham, Rev. W. C. Morrison, and others are some of the prominent speakers and workers on the program for this year.

The camp grounds are located two miles off State highway No. 20, 12 miles north of Bonifay, Florida.

WOMAN LEGISLATOR GETS ROLLING PIN FOR GAVEL Oklahoma City, Okla.—Representative Ella Huff, of Oklahoma City, has become the first woman to preside over either house of the Oklahoma Legislature.

She was handed the House gavel for a brief time in the closing days of the session last week. As she began presiding, Representative Charles Ozman of Lawton presented her with an oversized rolling pin.

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## Coffee-Farmer Slashes Throat And Succumbs

Residents of the Liberty community, west of Elba, were shocked last Friday when word was spread that Clifton Eugene Mills, middle-aged farmer living on the Mrs. Ada Shealy place, north of Dauley's Cross Roads, had taken his own life by cutting his throat with a razor blade. The Clipper has no definite report as to the exact cause of Mr. Mills' rash act. He and his large family have been living on the Shealy place for about two years and have a large number of friends who extend deepest sympathy to the bereaved family.

The deceased was born in Pike County, Ala., to Mr. L. L. and Mrs. Katie Costly Mills. He is survived by his wife, four sons, Lawrence, G. G. Garford and Dalton Mills; four daughters, Misses Bennie Inez, Mary Kate, Wayne and Myrtle Mae Harold, Mrs. Ruby Kate Allen and Miss Carry Lou Mills, besides other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Bullock Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Jack Mitchell.

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The remains were interred in Bullock cemetery, with Bonneauville in charge of funeral arrangements.

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